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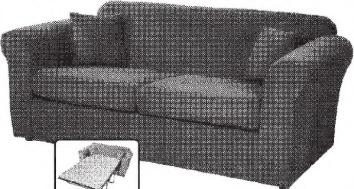
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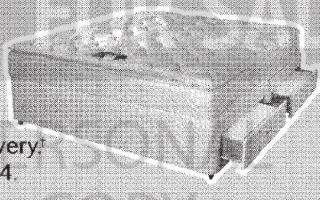
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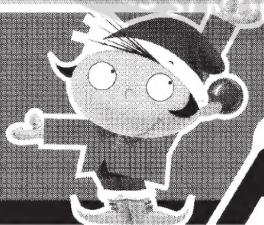
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Plush pad scrounger is evicted

EXCLUSIVE by JERRY LAWTON
SUPER-SCROUNGER Janis Gabriel is to be kicked out of her council house - for building an illegal conservatory to house her swimming pool.

A judge has agreed that housing chiefs can repossess the posh pad.

The mum-of-seven, 49, bragged she'd turned it into a palace using her £26,738-a-year benefit handouts.

As we revealed last week, she'd kitted it out with a heated pool, sauna, Jacuzzi and four-poster waterbed. She also bought herself and husband John, 47, a car each.

Despite the massive spree, police raided the house and found £18,000 cash hidden under Gabriel's bed at the pebble-dashed semi in Padtham, Burnley, Lancs.

She faces up to 14 years in jail after a jury last week ruled she'd also ploughed the proceeds of crime into the property.

Yesterday, Burnley county court judge Recorder Thomas Ryan ordered her and her family to quit their home after hearing they did not have planning permission for the conservatory.

EVICTED: Gabriel



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Bot a lot of saucy Sass

■ DELICIOUS DJ Sassy looks red hot in these sizzling new shots.

The dishy disc spinner sent poolside temperatures soaring as she took a dip in sun-kissed Tenerife.

■ Sassy, 25, is acclaimed for having one of the tastiest bobs in showbiz, but these photos show there's much more about the hot babe's curvaceous body to get in a sweat over.

■ The ex-model, real name Saskia Porter, is the new face of Mates... and it's not hard to see why she beat off stiff competition to front the condom maker's new ad campaign.



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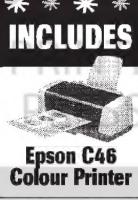


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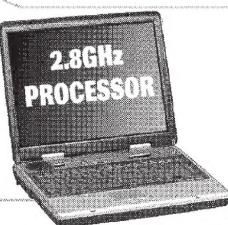
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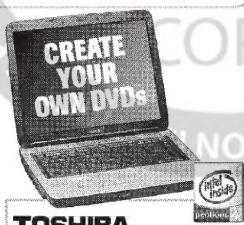
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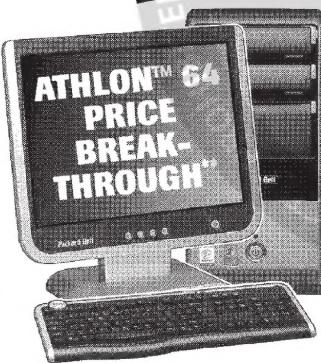
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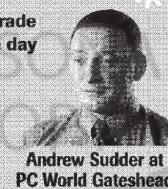
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The tail of a bimotor jet taking 79 passengers to Belfast clipped the wing of an Excel Airways plane carrying 255 passengers on a flight to Goa.

Emergency services were scrambled but no one was hurt in the collision. Investigators were probing the crash last night.

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HOURS OF FUN
SEE PAGES 54-55

SEX HAS A DIT

Hot bods turn off buyers, say experts

SELLY ads that use raw sex to sell are getting a limp response from the punters.

Promos featuring naked babes or muscular hunks no longer shift the product, say experts.

Perfume, choccie and bra companies are being advised to go for laughs instead. "Using sex to sell has been over-done and reached saturation point," warned Paul Gostick of

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the Chartered Institute of Marketing. Fewer than 6% of women enjoy sexy ads enough to buy the product any more, he added. They prefer adverts that make them laugh.

The original racy ads were a real turn-on. Women rushed to buy booster bras after supermodel Eva

Herzigova, 31, purred: "Hello Boys". And the Cadbury's Flake girl seductively biting the bar stoked up male fantasies as well as sales. But now, says Paul, there's smut everywhere – and buyers are bored.

Sex is used to sell everything from perfume – like the traffic-stopping Opium poster with naked Sophie Dahl, 25 – to pants, with bulging soccer star Freddie Ljungberg, 27, in his Calvin Klein undies.

Even Pot Noodle used kinky sex and brothels. But the multi-million pound ad campaign flopped and the lads' snack was voted one of the most hated brands in Britain.

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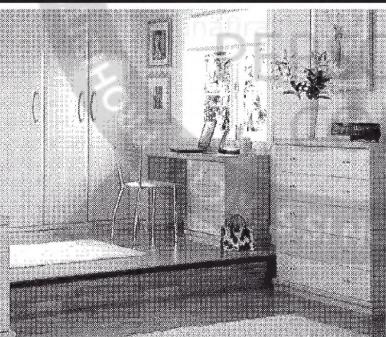
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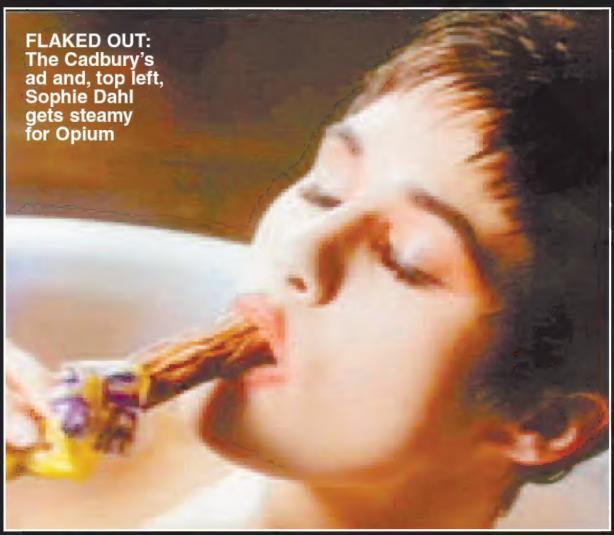
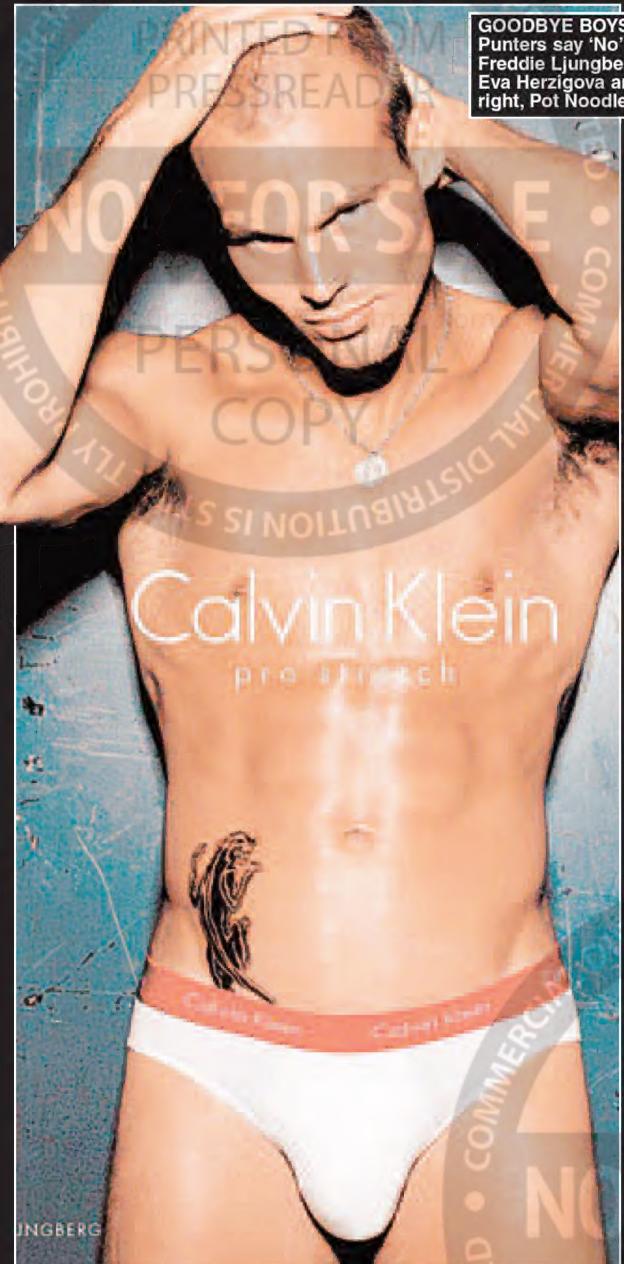
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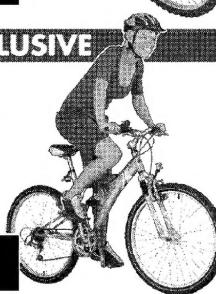
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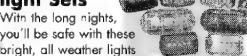


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BUY GUN ON eBay

Kids can snap them up, warns MP

■ by TOM SAVAGE

GUNS can easily be bought by children or gangsters on Internet auction site eBay, a worried MP warned yesterday.

Labour's Steve McCabe, 49, said dealers put more than 20 on sale within four days after the website's ban on firearms sales.

The guns included deactivated weapons and high-powered airguns that could be altered to fire with deadly force.

Others were replicas - the kind often used in robberies.

Mr McCabe, MP for Birmingham Hall Green, said: "Ebay is allowing dealers to sell weapons with no control over the age of people buying them."

Legal

"It is contributing to the crime on our streets by allowing the sale of legal - yet absolutely lethal - weapons."

The MP has sent a dossier on eBay to Home Secretary David Blunkett.

One customer was said to be selling a photo of a gun - but added the real thing was available for private sale.

An eBay spokeswoman said the site was opposed to the sale of guns. Even air-guns and replicas - legal in the UK - are banned.

"We have more than 30 million items on the site at any one time," she said. "We track down illicit items as quickly as we can."

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News in brief

HE DRINKS, HE SCORES

SOCER boss Graeme Souness has admitted he got the child he'd longed for – because of a boozy night out with Alan Hansen and Kenny Dalglish. Newcastle manager Souness, 51, and wife Karen, 45, had been trying for seven years.

But she didn't get pregnant until a night of passion after his bubbly session with the Liverpool legends. Of James – now five – Souness said: "He must like his champagne."



SCORED: Souness

Mobiles all rage

DRIVERS illegally using mobile phones are one of the biggest causes of road rage, it's been revealed.

Two-thirds of motorists see red and 32% have been so angry they have yelled and signalled at offenders. Half say they have seen others driving carelessly while on the phone, including jumping red lights, failing to indicate and swerving from lane to lane.

Andy Dewhurst, of Tesco, which carried out the survey, said: "Illegal mobile phone use has become an emotive issue. Many people still disregard the law and are driving their fellow drivers to distraction."

LOVE SPLIT RAP BY KYLIE



POP queen Kylie Minogue has blasted rumours of a love split.

The Aussie babe said there had been difficulties as her French boyfriend, actor Olivier Martinez, was working in Los Angeles.

But Kylie, 36, insisted last night: "We're happy. We're together. It's true he's been working in LA and I miss him. But we can't wait to see each other."

DENIAL: Kylie

Down the hatch

LAST orders were called for the final time at more than 1,600 pubs in Britain last year.

The number of pubs and clubs fell by 2% from 82,987 to 81,360 in the 12 months to June 2004, according to the Department of Culture, Media and Sport.

British Beer and Pub Association spokesman Mark Hastings said the figures exposed the myth that there had been a dramatic rise in new pubs and clubs across the country, fuelling a binge-drinking culture.

THROUGH THE HELLHOLE



FUNNYMAN Bob Mortimer has told how he turned down *Through the Keyhole* – because he was living in a homeless shelter.

At the start of his career Bob, 45, was asked to go on the show, in which Loyd Grossman visits stars' homes.

But he was still staying at a hostel he'd been in since his days working for Southwark Council. He said: "It was f***ing awful."

SQUALOR: Bob

Cities of stress

BRITAIN'S most stressful places to live were named yesterday – with Glasgow, Hull and Newcastle topping the list of downers, closely followed by London.

Everything from suicide to smoking rates, surveys on sex lives and crime and health statistics were rated in the survey for Men's Health magazine. These were combined with factors like the average time it takes to commute to work, city centre congestion and pollution levels.

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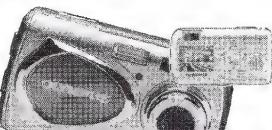
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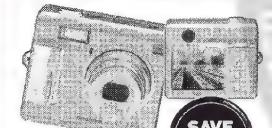
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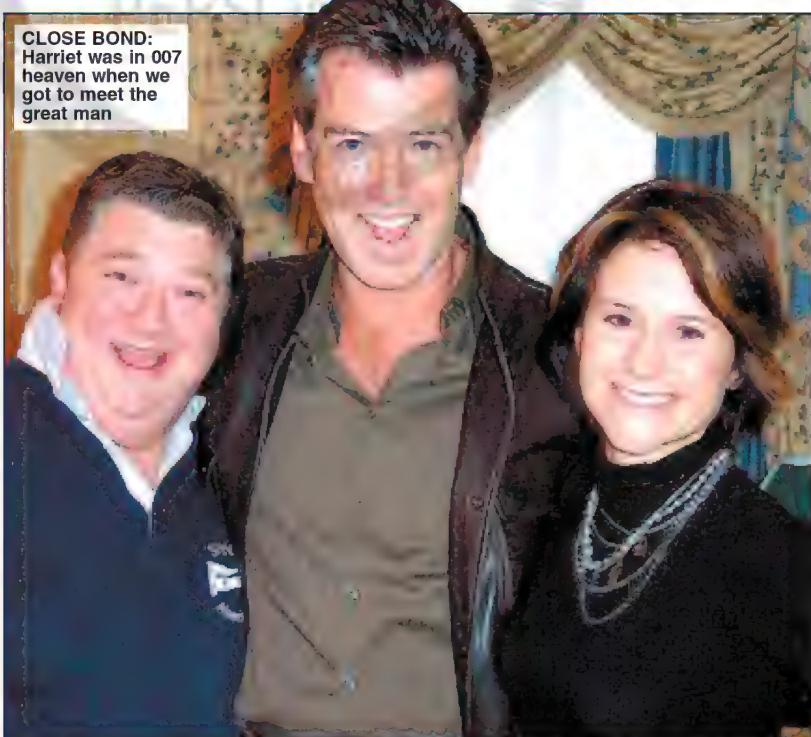
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JONO COLEMAN

The Mouth from Down Under

CLOSE BOND:
Harriet was in 007 heaven when we got to meet the great man



How dare they cut Pierce?

I WAS so excited about meeting Mr Pierce Brosnan the other day...

He was in town to talk about his new movie After The Sunset – filmed in the Bahamas with Woody Harrelson and Salma Hayek.

But I was totally blown out when I asked Pierce about the next James Bond movie and he revealed he wasn't in it.

Dumped

I couldn't believe that after 10 years of loyal service to Her Majesty's Government poor Pierce has been dumped for a younger man.

Pierce said he was busy doing the rounds of the international press for the last Bond movie when contracts where being talked about for the next one.

But as his publicity tour drew to a close, the film company pulled out of negotiations and that

was that. Not a very nice way to treat a star who has given the world 10 years of loyal service as 007.

I don't know the other side of the story because there has been no formal announcement of the new Bond.

But I can tell that even though Pierce was wishing his replacement every success (albeit through gritted teeth), he was pretty pissed off at the way he and his people had been treated.

Pierce told me that he thought Colin Farrell would make a potential new Bond.

But I was talking up Aussie actor and all-round lovely guy Eric Bana (The Hulk, Troy etc)...and I'm not the only one who's watching him as a potential replacement. If Eric

does land the job, then expect the role to change slightly – just as it did when the legendary George Lazenby became the first Aussie Bond in On Her Majesty's Secret Service.

Forget Martinis (shaken not stirred) it'll be chilled Foster's served with a saucer of salted peanuts.

But he will insist on more Pussy Galore – like any true Aussie bloke would.

Pierce is a really great bloke and a pleasure to chat to and my radio partner Harriet Scott was all of a flutter when he put his hand on her knee at one point during our interview.

I think he was reaching for mine and she pushed hers forward – I'm sure he was trying to slip me something...

I SO LOVE BRIDGET

MY favourite part of the new Bridget Jones movie is not just the lovely, sexy, Renee Zellweger – but the Paxman cameo.

I won't tell you what happens, but let's just say I wish I'd had a chance to say what Hugh Grant gets to say in the action.

I will have to wait until after next week's London premiere to tell you more, otherwise they will give my tickets to Russell Grant or Rik Waller as a punishment.

Even the sky diving sequence with Renee easily justifies seeing the whole movie. I went with Harriet

the other afternoon to a private screening where they actually locked up the print afterwards. They must have heard about my shoplifting past!

It's great fun ... very far fetched and has too much kissing for most guys, but the chicks will love it.

I couldn't believe how much music and product placement was shoehorned into the movie though. They clearly want to flog as many soundtracks as possible.

Why don't they simply put them in the movie foyers so punters can buy them on the way out of the

film? Christmas shopping made even easier.

I think the film's editor recorded a few hours of Heart FM just before the screening, as nearly every sequence has a nice nicely track edited in.

Jealous

The soundtrack contains every girl-friendly tune you've ever heard – and then a few more besides. Working Title are going to clean up at the shops – as well as the movies!

I thought they would be marketing Big Pants by now.

Of course, I'm just jealous that boys' big pants aren't half as sexy as Renee's.

It has to be said that after my meeting with her, I am totally in love. You can keep "Huge Grunt", but more of all that Bridget bragging for next week's column.

I must say, when Hugh talked to the media, he seemed totally bored by the whole thing, which is a real pity because he's so funny in the movie.

Maybe someone from the film company should have a quiet little chat with him about trying to at least pretend that he cares about the film ... and even his performance in it.

Let's not bleat about a Bush

WELL thank God that boring old US election is over at last.

I knew that Bush would win in the end. I can't really say I'm a Bush man but at least he takes orders well from his dad.

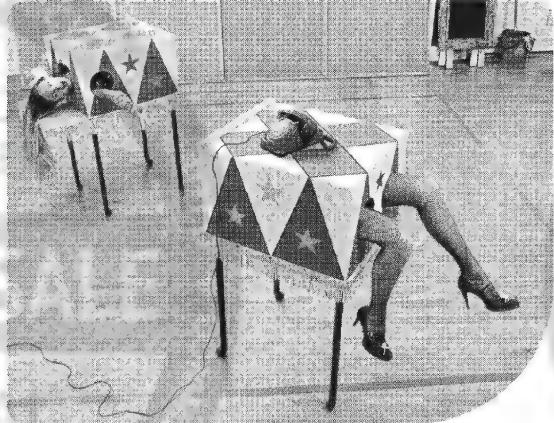
Wow, I actually got away without making some cheap Bush joke about having us all by the short and curlies!

Anyway, let's get to the really big stories of the week. Tom Cruise saying Becks was his hero.

I thought those pictures of Posh and David watching the footie with him were pretty amazing, especially the one of the Beckhams holding hands.

Just stand by for the news stories about Posh and Becks joining the Scientologists...

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Crazed Karen in car blaze horror

■ THIS is the Christmas Day fireball which will have Corrie fans on the edge of their seats.

Crazed Karen McDonald snatches husband Steve's lovechild Amy and takes her on a two-hour terror ride.

She drives off with the tot after she is told by a doctor she has miscarried the baby she was expecting. Fans will see

frantic Steve (Simon Gregson, 30) dash towards the motor and beat back the flames to rescue Karen, above left, after she rings him on her mobile to say she is at the Red Rec in Weatherfield.

■ With Steve is Amy's hysterical mum Tracy (Kate Ford, 27). Karen (Suranne Jones, 26, Inset) is seen for the last time in the soap over the

festive period. A Corrie insider said last night: "Steve and Tracy go everywhere trying to find her."

■ "But it's only when she rings to say she's at the Red Rec that they realise they're in a race against time. It's heart-stopping stuff when they arrive there to see the people carrier engulfed in flames."

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STAR

AMY'S LUST WORD

Chloe bows out with sex-fest

■ EXCLUSIVE by JOHN MAHONEY
SOAP siren Amy Nuttal will bow out of Emmerdale in a lust-filled orgy.

The stunning babe, who plays Chloe Atkinson, will bed THREE blokes from the same family to make her name as the show's biggest-ever tart.

Lads will mourn the loss of flame-haired 23-year-old Amy when she quits the Dales saga in the spring.

But over Christmas they'll see Chloe go

through Emmerdale's male population like wildfire – and it's the King family who will reap the benefit of her sexual quest.

Fans have already seen her callously bed Carl King – actor Tom Lister, 26 – who is the lover of her best pal Chastity Dingle. But she'll cause even more ructions

when she moves on through the clan by hitting the sack with his handsome brother Jimmy, played by Nick Miles.

She will complete a full house of Kings by seducing the brothers' wealthy dad Tom, played by 68-year-old former Corrie Street star Ken Farrington – even though he is planning to marry the lovely Chastity Dingle.

Our Emmerdale source revealed: "Amy loves Chloe being a hit with the fellas.

"She will just move from one bloke to another as she looks for one with the money and prestige she's after."



Lucy's a gem

■ THIS is the first pic of Emmerdale babe Lucy Pargeter showing off her engagement ring in Leeds.

■ Lucy, 27, who plays sexy barmaid Chastity Dingle, fell for footie coach Rudi Coleano, 25, as they sparred to keep fit. Rudi had the engagement ring specially made for her by designer Theo Fennell.

NASTY GIRL STACE

■ by IAN BRANDES

BAD things are ahead for EastEnders newcomer Stacey Slater.

The precocious teen minx – 16-year-old actress Lacey Turner is going to get a Janine Butcher style build-up.

And she'll become even more mad, bad, and dangerous to know than the legendary Albert Square bitch, played by Charlie

gorgeous young cousin Zoe Slater.

Brooks. A show insider said: "Stacey will become such a Miss Nasty that she'll make Janine look like Cinderella."

Slapper

Scheming Stacey will soon be at the centre of the Albert Square action when she brawls with her

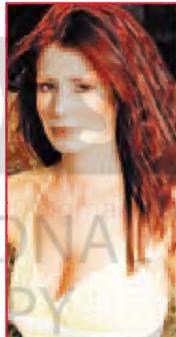
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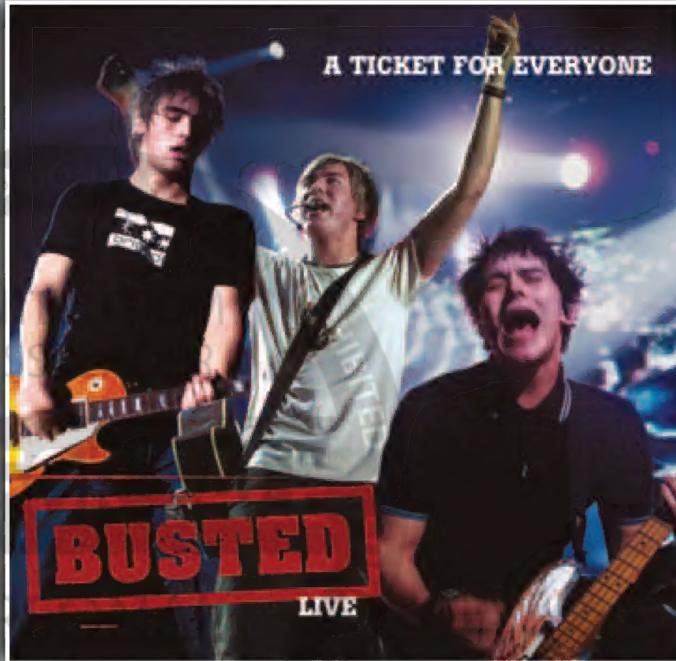
■ CORRIE pin-up Danny Young has been warned to behave by bosses after promising pals the "mother of par-

ties" to celebrate his 18th birthday tonight. Guests will include Street babes Tina O'Brien, 21 and Nikki Sanderson, 20.



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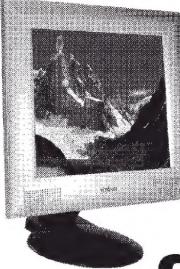
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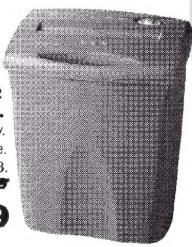
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Ruthie's all nau

THERE'S no question ravishing Ruthie Gibbons is naughty... but very nice.

The brunnette babe is the fab face and figure of the sizzling new range of Janet Reger lingerie, Naughty Janet.

She's also lined up for a role in a Guy Ritchie gangster movie and got herself noticed after appearing in an ad campaign which appeared on the sides of buses.

"A lot of people have been coming up to me and asking, 'Aren't you that girl on the bus?'" she giggles.

"Adverts for the new range have been running along the sides of double-deckers all over London. It's

by SAM PARKER

really weird seeing yourself on this huge moving billboard."

And Ruthie, 23, of Ashford, Kent admits: "I was so shocked the first time, but now it's nice so many people see it and recognise me.

Skimpies

"But I'm glad it's only in London. If I had to see myself being driven around Ashford in my skimpies that would be embarrassing!"

Ruthie is thrilled to be fronting the cheeky new collection – but confesses she never really thought

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